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AUDITORS' REPORT

of the Town of

WARDSBORO

VERMONT

For the Year Ending

December 31, 1949

TOWN OFFICERS, 1949

Moderator ..... Martin H. Gleason

Town Clerk ..... Floyd A. Robinson

Selectmen ..... G. G. Dewey, 1950; Raymond Cobb, 1951; M. L. Gleason, 1952

School Directors ..... Gladys Brown, 1950; Marion L. Harnois, 1951; Wales Read, 1952

Superintendent of Schools ..... W. Harry Pelkey

Trustees of Public Funds ..... Floyd A. Robinson, 1950; Ward T. Plimpton, 1951; H. Malcolm Newell, 1952

Town Treasurer ..... Floyd A. Robinson

Overseer of the Poor ..... Selectmen

Road Commissioner ..... Kenneth Robinson

Constable ..... William A. Putnam

Listers ..... William A. Putnam, 1950; Robert Irvine, 1951; Brinton Shine, 1952

Auditors ..... Susie A White, 1950; Virgie Irvine, 1951; Edith P. Plimpton, 1952

Library Trustees ..... May M. Allen, 1950; Edith M. Robinson, 1951; Elson E. Beecher, 1952; Martin H. Gleason, 1953; Beatrice Putnam, 1954

Librarian ..... Edith M. Robinson

Sextons ..... C. L. Shine, H. C. Fitts, H. A. Reed

Cemetery Commissioners ..... H. W. Eddy, 1950; H. A. Read, 1951; H. C. Fitts, 1952; R. E. Plimpton, 1953; C. L. Shine, 1954

Pound Keepers ..... Raymond Read, Elden O. Robinson

Justices of the Peace ..... C. M. Brown, E. H. Cobb, H. M. Newell, M. H. Gleason, Wendell R. Davis

Surveyor of Wood and Lumber and Inspector of Shingles
Elden O. Robinson

Notary Public ..... Floyd A. Robinson

Town Representative ..... C. S. Streeter

Town Grand Juror ..... W. W. Kidder

Town Agent ..... W. W. Kidder

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SPRINGFIELD PRINTING CORPORATION
SPRINGFIELD, VERMONT

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TOWN TAXES AND DISTRIBUTION

Valuation

Real Estate	Personal	Property Taxable
$178,190	$53,634	$231,824

Grand List

1% Valuation	Poll Taxes	Base Amt. Taxable
$2,318.24	203	$2,521.24

Distribution of Taxes

	Tax Levy	Gross	4% Discount	Net Rev.
Town	$3 10	$ 7815 84	$312 63	$ 7503 21
School	2 75	6933 41	277 34	6656 07
Highway	1 08	2722 94	108 92	2614 02
Fire Dept.	07	176 49	7 06	169 43
	$7 00	$17648 68	$705 95	$16942 73

Old age assistance tax, no discount allowed, $2.50 on 203 polls	$ 507 50
	$17450 23
% gained on individual tax bill	$ 02
Amount of selectmen's tax bill	$17450 25
Taxes collected and discounted by treasurer	$16768 76
Amount turned over to Tax Collector, no discount	$ 671 57
Paid to State on Old Age assistance tax, 90% of $497.50	$ 447 75

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES

Resources

Jan. 1, 1950	
Money in treasury, town account, cash on hand	$ 601 59
Money in bank, town account	2179 70
Money in treasury, school account, cash on hand	4479 46
Money in bank, school account	2918 08
Delinquent taxes unpaid	690 99
Rebates due from state, winter maintenance unselected	68 31
Rebates due from state, winter maintenance state aid	289 87
Rebates due from state, unselected	3271 37
Rebate due from state, St. John account	119 98
	$14619 35
Balance against town	2200 11
	$16819 46

Liabilities

Wardsboro Cemetery funds, borrowed	$ 3225 00
Wardsboro Library funds, borrowed	3394 46
Wardsboro Methodist Church fund, borrowed	1000 00
Windsor Warren Legacy, borrowed	700 00
Vermont Peoples National Bank	8500 00
	$16819 46

TOWN TREASURER'S CASH ACCOUNT

Jan. 1, 1949 Dr.	
Cash on hand	$ 459 99
Money in bank, school account	312 59
Borrowed money	5925 00
Taxes collected by treasurer	16768 76
Delinquent taxes collected	604 69
1948 tax not listed	8 07
Income from town hall	235 83
Dog license account	163 00
Rebates from Treasurer of Vermont:	
Education, State Aid	6415 92
Community fund, South Wardsboro	41 25
State Aid highway account	3081 86
Unselected highway account	8263 72
Resurfacing highway account	834 33
Winter maintenance	936 22
State aid flood damage	2752 72
Rental of grader	826 00
Refunds:	
L. C. Brown (overseer's account)	618 25
Hugh Putnam (overseer's account)	25 00
Rent of records	15 00
Tuition and transportation	
Town of Stratton	444 50
Windsor Warren Legacy, interest	19 89
International Paper Co., leased land	15 97
	$48768 56

Cr.	
Overdrawn town account, 1948	$ 751 98
By selectmen's orders, expenditures	5157 64
By selectmen's orders, truck and grader account	2827 79
By selectmen's orders, current loans	10000 00
By road commissioner's orders	7983 79
By overseer's orders	2384 06
By school directors' orders	9484 47
Money in bank, school account	2918 08
Money in bank, town account	2179 70
Cash on hand, school account	4479 46
Cash on hand, town account	601 59
	$48768 56

TOWN TREASURER'S ACCOUNT WITH THE TAX COLLECTOR

	Taxes Uncollected 1/1/49	Abated	Collected	Uncollected 1/1/50
1946	$ 76 68			$ 76 68
1947	58 83		$ 16 40	42 43
1948	498 15		354 76	143 39
11/1/49	671 57	$ 9 55	233 53	428 49
	$1305 23	$ 9 55	$604 69	$690 99

TAXES ABATED

Credit to Tax Collector

To W. A. Putnam, Dec. 19, 1949	
1949 Poll and Old Age assistance tax of Helen Cobb	9 55
	$ 9 55

BORROWED MONEY

Apr. 21, 1936	Cemetery trust fund, 4% int.	$ 2000 00
June 6, 1936	Library trust funds, 4% int.	1000 00
Oct. 1, 1936	Library trust funds, 4%	2394 46
Dec. 16, 1937	Cemetery trust funds, 4% int.	500 00
Mar. 29, 1938	Cemetery trust funds, 4% int.	500 00
Mar. 18, 1940	Methodist Church, Lyman Holden fund, at 4% int.	1000 00
Nov. 1947	Vermont Peoples Nat'l Bank, 3% int.	2000 00
Dec. 26, 1947	Vermont Peoples Nat'l Bank, 3% int.	1000 00
Jan. 5, 1948	Vermont Peoples Nat'l Bank, 3% int.	2000 00
Feb. 6, 1948	Vermont Peoples Nat'l Bank, 3% int.	1500 00
June 8, 1948	Vermont Peoples Nat'l Bank, 3% int.	2000 00
Jan. 24, 1949	Trustee of Public Funds, 3% int.	925 00
Total		$16819 46

INTEREST ON BORROWED MONEY

Paid to

Methodist Church	$ 40 00
Trustees of Public Funds	282 07
Vermont Peoples Nat'l Bank	316 83
Total	$638 90

SELECTMEN'S ACCOUNT

Winter Maintenance on State Aid Roads

Feb. 2, 1949 to Dec. 23, 1949

Arms, Francis, labor	$ 12 33
Bills, Burdette, driving	2 55
Bills, Howard, labor	9 30
Bills, Lee, driving	4 00
Bills, M. L., use of truck	9 90
Brooks, Ray, labor and driving	19 80
Cobb, R. E., man, tractor and labor	28 75
Cobb, Raymond, Jr., labor	9 48
Dion, Henry, labor	40 00
Dion, Henry, Jr., labor	4 40
Dufresne, Bernard, driving and labor	10 80
Gleason, John, labor	19 50
Gleason, M. H., labor	18 10
Gleason, M. H., Jr., labor	13 20
Hescock, Dalbert, labor	20 50
Hescock, Darwin, labor	11 60
Hescock, Leroy, labor	26 80
International Salt Co., 100 bags of salt	92 25
Joslin, Donald, labor	4 80
Kendall, Raymond, labor	51 40
Knapp, Ira, labor	114 50
Knights, Archie, sand	9 00
Robinson, Kenneth, driving and labor	154 95
Town of Wardsboro, use of truck	702 88
Underwood, Archie, labor	46 10
White, Myron, labor	4 80
Williams, Stanton, driving	4 00
Wright, John, labor	3 20
Young, Raymond, driving	62 00
	$1510 89

Winter Maintenance Unselected Roads

Feb. 2, 1949 to Dec. 10, 1949

Bills, M. L., man and bulldozer	$ 36 00
Dion, Henry, labor	3 20
Gleason, Martin, Jr., labor	3 20
Hescock, Dalbert, driving	7 50
Hescock, Darwin, driving	2 50

Hescock, Leroy, labor	3 20
Kendall, Raymond, labor	3 20
Knapp, Cyrus, labor	2 40
Knapp, Ira, Labor	37 00
Newell, H. M., self and tractor	4 50
Robinson, Kenneth, labor	32 00
Town of Wardsboro, use of truck and plough	229 84
Williams, Stanton, driving	9 00
Young, Raymond, driving	27 00
	$400 54

Town Trucks Account

Dr.

Bemis Motor Inc., parts, oil and labor	$ 19 80
Bills, Leonard, parts, oil and repairs	798 01
Brown, C. M., gas, oil and anti freeze	289 39
Chase, Perry, repairs, parts and oil	72 95
Cobb, Raymond, parts and repairs	86
Coombs, Clyde, bolts and snow plough blades	13 95
Construction Equipment Co., blades and parts for snow plough	52 09
Gleason, M. H., labor	6 40
Henry's Motor Express, freight on snow plough blades	1 35
Hescock, Leroy, labor	3 20
Kidder, W. W., gas, oil and anti freeze	348 67
Knapp, Ira, labor and repairs	19 50
Montgomery Ward, tire	48 33
Motor Vehicle Department, 2 registrations	20 00
Robinson, Kenneth, repairs	39 05
Robinson, Roe, insurance on 2 trucks	107 02
Underwood, Archie, labor on trucks	38 00
Union Steel Co., power blades and cross chain hooks	174 09
Wilmington Garage Co., Inc., front axle	70 50
Wright, John, labor	4 80
	$2127 96

Credit

Summer roads account, use of truck	$ 255 20
Unselected floods account, use of truck	419 20
Unselected roads account, use of truck	38 50
Maintenance account, use of truck	56 10
State Aid flood account, use of truck	204 70

Summer flood account, use of truck	171 00
Winter maintenance unselected account, use of truck	229 84
Winter maintenance state aid account, use of truck	702 88
Total	$2077 42
Deficit	50 54
	$2127 96

Town Grader Account

Dr.

Bills, Leonard M., labor, gas, oil and parts	$ 464 10
Brown, C. M., gas	35 15
Cobb, R. E., gas	10 20
Hescock, Leroy, labor on repairs	4 80
Kidder, W. W., gas and oil	56 00
Robinson, Kenneth, labor on repairs	6 00
Robinson, Roe E., insurance	36 00
Upton, Clyde, gas and oil	87 58
	$ 699 83
Credit balance for 1949	898 22
	$1598 05

Credit

Credit balance from 1948	$ 572 05
Summer roads account, use of grader	92 00
Unselected flood account, use of grader	10 00
Maintenance account, use of grader	98 00
State of Vermont, rental	826 00
	$1598 05

Miscellaneous Account

Bills, Howard, labor on Brown's bridge	$ 19 60
Bills, Leonard, repairs on town equipment	45 30
Bills, Melbourne, bridge plank	108 80
Bowker Office Equipment Co. Inc., account books	1 31
Brown, C. M., supplies	33 08
Brown, C. M., Jr., painting girders W. W. bridge	38 40
C. E. Bradley Corp., paint for bridge	52 00
Cobb, R. E., labor on bridge and material	73 10
Empire Steel and Tool Co., road machine cutting edge	17 85

Fairview Cemetery, labor on graves	10 00
Fitts, H. C., mowing W. W. cemetery	37 20
Green Mt. Press, supplies and printing	36 45
Hescock, Leroy, labor	9 80
Huntington, D. R., highway signs	7 00
Kendall, Raymond, labor on bridges	19 60
Knapp, Curtis, mowing East Hill cemetery	8 00
Osborn, H. T., County Treasurer, county tax	73 90
O'Shea, James, 107 bags chloride	156 61
Otis, C. G., Dr., quarantines	13 25
Putnam, William, delinquent tax blanks	3 70
Robinson, Clyde, labor on bridge	6 40
Robinson, F. A., postage for treasurer	10 00
Robinson, Kenneth, labor on bridge	30 50
Springfield Printing Corp., 230 town reports	130 00
State of Vermont, Treasurer:	
Asphalt treatment for four bridge floors	41 91
Old Age Assistance Tax, 199 polls	447 75
Patrol, 1949	724 00
Maternal and Child Health and Public Health Nursing Service	75 00
Turcottes General Store, flags, Memorial Day	11 75
Tuttle Stationary Co., punch, sheets and record books	20 72
Vt. Agriculture Extension Service, dues	38 52
Wardsboro Fire Dept., town meeting appropriation	176 49
Williams, Stanton, labor on bridges	6 80
Wright, John, labor on bridges	29 20
Bank service charges and check books	13 92
	$2527 91

Town Hall Account

Expenditures

Bishop, F. W., repairs to wiring	$ 3 38
Bills, Melbourne, 5 loads of wood	40 00
Central Vermont Pub. Service Corp., electricity	18 63
Cobb, Raymond, 5 loads of wood	70 00
Ekberg, Oscar, tuning piano	6 00
Kidder, W. W., sharpening lawn mower	2 00
Robinson, Roe, fire insurance	99 00
Turcottes General Store, supplies	18 42
Turcotte, R. P., janitor work	189 00
Total	$ 446 43

Income

A-Z Club	$ 13 50
Card party	3 50
Couples Club	2 00
Home Demonstration	2 00
Hospital Concert	8 00
Movies	147 33
Variety Show	8 00
Vermont Grange, No. 512	51 50
Total	$ 235 83

Town Officials

Dewey, Mary W., making selectmen's tax bill	$ 15 00
Fred W. Putnam Insurance Agency, surety bond	5 00
Irvine, Robert M., services as lister	27 20
Irvine, Virgie, services as auditor	35 00
Maynard, A. L., bond premium	57 00
Plimpton, Edith, services as auditor	35 00
Putnam, William A., services as lister	35 00
Robinson, F. A., salary, clerk and treasurer	291 49
Shine, Brinton, services as lister	30 00
White, Susie, services as auditor	35 00
Total	$ 565 69

OVERSEER OF POOR ACCOUNT

Brown, L. C., account:	
Bushes' General Store, clothing	$ 6 25
Yates, Mrs. Ralph, board and care	921 00
Dependent Children account:	
Dept. of Social Welfare	66 70
Haskins, Carrie, account:	
Kendall, Mrs. Raymond, board and care	490 00
Putnam, Hugh, account:	
Brattleboro Memorial Hospital	100 95
DeWolfe, Dr. D. C., assisting operation	15 00
Wheeler, Dr. Philip, operation and care	119 20
Shampine, Charles, account:	
Barrett Bush, clothing	6 00
Otis, Dr. C. G., care and medicine	42 00
Yates, Mrs. Ralph, board and care	372 00
Shea, Edward J., legal advice	5 00
St. John, Joseph, account:	
Brown, C. M., groceries	239 96
	$2384 06

Credit to Account

Brown, L. C., refund	$ 618 25
Putnam, Hugh, refund, from Dr. Philip Wheeler	25 00
Due from State of Vermont:	
St. John account	119 98
Windsor Warren Legacy	9 94
	$ 773 17
Expense to town	1610 89
	$2384 06

HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

SUMMER ROADS

Apr. 1, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949

Robinson, Kenneth, Road Commissioner, labor	$ 660 00
Berger Metal Culvert Co., Inc., culverts	80 80
Bills, Emery, labor	8 00
Bills, Howard, labor	173 15
Bills, Melbourne, use of bulldozer	24 00
Brooks, Ray, labor	12 80
Browne, Robert, labor	3 20
Cobb, Raymond, use of truck and tractor and operators	15 00
Cole, Chester, labor	4 80
Collector of Internal Revenue	35 70
Dione, Henry, labor	28 80
Dione, Henry, Jr., labor	3 20
Gleason, John, labor	29 80
Gleason, Martin, Jr., labor	28 80
Hescock, Dalbert, labor	24 90
Hescock, Darwin, labor	5 60
Hescock, Leroy, labor	42 90
Joslin, Donald, labor	4 80
Kendall, Raymond, labor	250 65
Knapp, Curtis, labor	22 80
Parons, B. C., labor	19 20
Robinson, Clyde, labor	40 10
Robinson, Harry, labor	6 40
Robinson, Raymond, labor	12 80
St. John, Joseph, driving	9 60
Stocker, Leon, use of tractor	43 75
Thomas, Irving, gravel	3 90
Town of Wardsboro, use of truck	255 20
Town of Wardsboro, use of grader	92 00
Williams, Stanton, labor	17 60
Wright, John, labor	154 80
Wright, John, use of tractor	88 00
Young, David, use of tractor	9 00
	$2212 05

UNSELECTED FLOODS

May 7, 1949 to Dec. 27, 1949

Robinson, Kenneth, Road Commissioner, labor	$ 200 00
Bills, Howard, labor	138 35
Bills, Melbourne, use of equipment and operator	993 10
Browne, Robert, labor	6 40
Collector of Internal Revenue	20 10
Dewey, Garner, gravel	54 50
Dione, Henry, Jr.	8 00
Gleason, John, labor	8 00
Gleason, Martin, Jr., labor	12 80
Hescock, Dalbert, labor	30 60
Hescock, Leroy, labor	9 60
Kendall, Raymond, labor	135 25
Lowe, Freda, gravel	43 10
New England Metal Culvert Co., culverts	270 67
Robinson, Clyde, labor	23 10
Thomas, Irving, gravel	69 90
Town of Dover, use of truck	106 60
Town of Wardsboro, use of grader	10 00
Town of Wardsboro, use of truck	419 20
Williams, Stanton, labor	35 20
Wright, John, labor	73 40
Wright, John, use of tractor	32 00
Young, David, use of tractor and driver	233 60
	$2933 47

UNSELECTED ROADS

May 7, 1949 to Dec. 27, 1949

Robinson, Kenneth, Road Commissioner, labor	$ 42 00
Bills, Melbourne, use of equipment and operator	40 00
Dione, Henry, labor	26 80
Hescock, Leroy, labor	28 40
Joslin, Donald, labor	3 20
Kendall, Raymond, labor	39 80
Thomas, Irving, gravel	11 00
Town of Wardsboro, use of truck	38 50
	$ 229 70

MAINTENANCE

Apr. 2, 1949 to Dec. 27, 1949

Robinson, Kenneth, Road Commissioner, labor	$ 90 00
Bills, Howard, labor	41 60
Collector of Internal Revenue	60
Dione, Henry, Jr., labor	4 80
Gleason, John, labor	4 80
Gleason, Martin, Jr., labor	9 60
Hescock, Leroy, labor	12 50
Kendall, Raymond, labor	48 00
Robinson, Clyde, labor	24 00
Robinson, Raymond, labor	9 60
St. John, Joseph, driving	9 60
Town of Wardsboro, use of grader	98 00
Town of Wardsboro, use of truck	56 10
Wright, John, labor	33 30
	$ 442 50

STATE AID FLOOD

May 14, 1949 to Dec. 27, 1949

Robinson, Kenneth, Road Commissioner	$ 252 00
Bills, Howard, labor	84 10
Bills, Melbourne, equipment and operator	1158 10
Bills, Melbourne, lumber	64 32
Brooks, Ray, labor	3 20
Cobb, Raymond, tractor and 2 men	20 00
Collector of Internal Revenue	16 00
Dewey, Garner, gravel	26 10
Gleason, Martin, Jr., labor	1 60
Harris, Oliver, labor	19 20
Hescock, Leroy, labor	12 50
Kendall, Raymond, labor	155 00
Knapp, Cyrus, labor	2 40
Lowe, Freda, gravel	46 20
Robinson, Clyde, labor	37 50
Robinson, E. O., gravel	21 60
Thomas, Irving, gravel	33 60
Town of Wardsboro, use of trucks	204 70
Williams, Stanton, labor	3 20
Wright, John, labor	32 70
Young, David, truck and driver	64 00
	$2258 02

SUMMER FLOOD

Jan. 11, 1949 to Feb. 26, 1949

Ira Knapp, Road Commissioner	$ 141 50
Arms, Frances, driving and labor	77 10
Bills, Burdette, labor	3 20
Bills, Melbourne, equipment and operator	335 85
Brooks, Ray, labor	8 80
Cobb, Earl, labor	12 80
Gleason, John, labor	6 40
Hescock, Dalbert, driving and labor	52 40
Howard, Donald, labor	16 00
Kendall, Raymond, labor	51 20
Knights, Archie, gravel	30 80
Reed, H. A., labor	12 80
Robinson, E. O., gravel	44 70
Robinson, Kenneth, labor	12 80
Thomas, Irving, gravel	14 40
Town of Wardsboro, use of trucks	171 00
Underwood, Archie, driving and labor	81 90
Young, David, driving	179 10
	$1252 75

DOG LICENSE ACCOUNT

49 dogs @ $2.00	$ 98 00
3 dogs @ $3.00	9 00
12 dogs @ $6.00	72 00
64 dogs	$ 179 00
Less 25 cents each to town clerk, fee	16 00
Income to town	$ 163 00

LIBRARY TRUSTEES' ACCOUNT

Amounts Received

Jan. 1, 1949	Balance on hand	$ 198 09
12 months interest from town		135 78
		$ 333 87

Expenditures

Jean Karr Co., books		$ 64 93
H. R. Huntington Co., books		26 51
Edith Robinson, librarian		50 00
M. H. Gleason, services, postage, express, kerosene		10 00
		$ 151 44
Jan. 1, 1950	Balance on hand	182 43
		$ 333 87

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS ACCOUNT

Town Library Fund

Amount of fund loaned to town at 4%		$3394 46
Jan. 1, 1949	Balance on hand	203 67
Dec. 31, 1949	12 months' interest	135 78
		$ 339 45

Expenditures

Dec. 31, 1949	M. H. Gleason, trustee, 1 year's int.	$ 135 78
Dec. 31, 1949	Balance on hand	203 67
		$ 339 45

CEMETERY FUNDS

Fairview Cemetery

Funds	Principal	Interest
Irene Dexter	$ 600 00	$ 24 00
Alice Cluett	500 00	20 00
Edith Brigham	50 00	2 00
Lydia Allen	50 00	2 00
Frank Kidder	50 00	2 00
Jerome P. Reed	50 00	2 00
Carrie M. Stetson	100 00	4 00
A. L. Wheeler	50 00	2 00
Emma Knapp	25 00	71
	$1475 00	$ 58 71

East Hill Cemetery

Abbie V. Kilburne	$ 50 00	$ 2 00

West Wardsboro Cemetery

F. S. Crafts	$ 100 00	$ 4.00
Sarah M. Esterbrook	50 00	2 00
Thomas T. Johnson	50 00	2 00
Lyman M. Newell	50 00	2 00
L. B. Ramsdell	50 00	2 00
Elbert E. White	100 00	4 00
Elbert E. White	500 00	20 00
Wilson Haskins	200 00	5 69
	$1100 00	$ 41 69

South Wardsboro Cemetery

South Wardsboro Cemetery fund	$100 00	$ 4 00
Elbert E. White	500 00	20 00
	$ 600 00	$ 24 00

Receipts

Jan. 1, 1949	Balance on hand	$ 340 20
Dec. 31, 1949	Interest from town	126 40
		$ 466 60

Expenditures

Dec. 31, 1949	H. A. Reed	$ 25 25
Dec. 31, 1949	H. C. Fitts	50 69

Jan. 24, 1949	Emma Knapp fund, loaned to town 341 days at 3% interest	25 00
Jan. 24, 1949	Wilson Haskins fund, loaned to town 341 days at 3% interest	200 00
Dec. 31, 1949	H. W. Eddy	58 71
Balance on hand		106 95
		$ 466 60

Windsor Warren Legacy

		Principal	Interest
Jan. 24, 1949	Amount of fund loaned to town 341 days at 3% int .	$ 700 00	$ 19 89

Expenditures

Dec. 31, 1949	Town Treasurer	$ 19 89
	(One-half to Overseer of Poor; one-half to School Account)	

Herbert E. Kidder Fund, Vermont Savings Bank
Wilmington Branch, Trustee

Amount of fund	$ 100 00
Accumulated interest to Jan. 1, 1949	3 57
	$ 103 57

Fairview Cemetery Report

Assets on hand per next prior statement Jan. 1, 1949	$4712 55	
Received from H. W. Eddy, interest on trust funds	58 00	
Interest on U. S. War Bonds, Series G due Jan. 1, 1954	87 50	
Interest on savings account	10 00	
Received from H. W. Eddy, Town of Wardsboro, labor on graves	10 00	
Paid L. M. Bills		$ 14 39
Paid Wesley E. Allen, labor in cemetery		183 50
Services of Trustee, 5% of $155.50		7 78
Balance in savings account, Brattleboro Trust Company		800 00
$3500 U. S. A. War Savings Bonds, Series "G", due Jan. 1, 1954		3500 00
Balance in checking account, Jan. 1, 1950		372 38
	$4878 05	$4878 05

SCHOOL DIRECTORS' ACCOUNT

Jan. 14, 1949 to Dec. 31, 1949

Teachers' Salaries

Dewey, Mary	$ 625 35
Irvine, Robert	780 00
Levarn, Marion	1350 81
Reed, Stella, substitute	8 00
Robinson, Edith, substitute	8 00
Roche, Helen, substitute	90 00
White, Thelma	1254 80
	$4116 96

Deductions

Collector of Internal Revenue	$ 450 47
State Teachers' Retirement Fund	383 03
	$ 833 50

Superintendent's Salary

Pelkey, W. Harry	$ 518 76

Directors' Salaries

Brown, Gladys	$ 10 00
Harnois, M. L.	10 00
Read, Wales	10 00
	$ 30 00

Insurance

Robinson, Roe	$ 34 68

Tuition

Leland and Gray Seminary	$1200 00

Transportation

Harnois, M. L.	$ 395 00
Irvine, Robert	873 00
Pfeiffer, F. W.	502 00
	$1770 00

Text Books

Allyn and Bacon	$ 3 84
American Book Co.	17 52
American Education Press	43 00
Houghton Mifflin Co.	14 19
McAuliffe Paper Co.	3 44
Rand McNally	37 89
Readers Digest	1 84
Scott Foresman	1 81
	$ 123 53

Janitor Service and Cleaning

Ayers, June, cleaning South school	$ 7 25
Bills, Christine, cleaning City school	3 75
Bogle, Frank, janitor service	4 00
Gleason, Martin, Jr., janitor service	10 00
Joslin, Donald, janitor service	48 50
St. John, Joseph, Mrs., cleaning West school	3 50
Turcotte, R. P., janitor and work on wood	54 55
White, Thelma, janitor	17 50
	$ 149 05

Fuel and Lights

Central Vermont Public Service Corp.	$ 47 16
Cobb, Raymond, 3 cords of wood	48 00
Dewey, Garner, labor on wood	4 40
Halifax Electric Coop., Inc.	18 00
Stevens, Perley, wood	35 00
Stocker, M. H., sawing wood	51 50
	$ 204 06

Repairs

Bills, Leonard, welding, West school	$ 4 00
Hammett, J. L., chemical toilet tanks, West school	220 77
Newell, H. M., 2 toilet seats, West school	8 20
Read, Raymond, labor on West school	17 10
Read, Wales, labor and materials at West school	21 95
Turcottes General Store, paint and supplies, City school	29 02
Turcotte, R. P., painting, City school	31 00
White, Leonard, painting, City school	20 00
Wright, Tom, labor at West school	15 30
	$ 367 34

Supplies and Sundries

Bank service charges	$ 2 27
Brown, C. M., supplies	9 78
Hammett, J. L., supplies, South school	67
McAuliffe Paper Co., supplies	56 58
Newell, H. M., mowing West school and freight	3 36
Pelkey, W. H., office expenses and supplies	28 26
Turcottes General Store, supplies	4 84
Whitcomb Supply Co., 4 drums wc soda	30 83
	$ 136 59
Total school expense	$9484 47

We submit the foregoing reports:

SUSIE A. WHITE
VIRGIE IRVINE
EDITH P. PLIMPTON
Auditors

As required by law, Chapter 189, Section 4221, "the School Board shall prepare and include in the Annual Report of the town, a complete statement for the school year ending June 30th previous."

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DIRECTORS

July 1, 1948 — June 30, 1949

Teachers' salaries	$4027 60
Collector of Internal Revenue	461 52
State Teachers' Retirement Fund	387 92
Superintendent's salary — Harry W. Pelkey	456 84
Insurance—Roe E. Robinson	32 18
Tuition—Leland and Gray Seminary	791 66
Transportation	1782 00
Text books	149 99
Janitor service and cleaning	170 00
Fuel and lights	265 33
Repairs	310 50
Supplies and sundries	146 28
Total school expense for the school year July 1, 1948 through June 30, 1949	$8981 82

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

The total enrollment of pupils in the elementary school during the past year was 57. Average daily attendance was 53.4. High school tuition was paid for 7 pupils.

Of the 57 pupils enrolled, 54 were promoted one or more grades, 2 were not promoted, and 1 transferred to another school.

The average cost per elementary school pupil was $153.93.

The average cost per high school pupil was $125.66.

The Metropolitan Reading Readiness test is now being given to all first grade pupils. This test is designed to measure mental growth and development of pupils and is an aid to teachers in determining the proper period of formal reading for beginning pupils. It is hoped that by the use of these tests a better foundation in reading can be given to each pupil. Our reading program will be a little slower in the first grade but we expect to avoid numerous failures in the upper grades and to greatly improve the reading of all pupils.

Achievement tests were given in the spring and the results were gratifying.

Some repairs were made on the school buildings during the past year. New septic tanks were installed at the West school to replace worn out tanks. The classroom of the City school was redecorated with one coat of paint. This was not sufficient to cover well and it should receive a second coat this coming summer.

The playground facilities of our schools are not adequate. The West school comes the nearest of any of meeting needs. The State Department of Education is recommending at least two acres of land with each rural school. This is a matter which greatly affects the morale and spirit of the children in school and the citizens of Wardsboro should give it serious consideration.

The eye and ear tests were given to the children again this year The school officials can do no more than to point out deficiencies. Corrective measures must be carried out by the parents. Good health is an important factor in school success and should be carefully watched by the parents.

We wish to express our appreciation for the fine cooperation shown by teachers, parents and citizens during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. HARRY PELKEY, Superintendent of Schools

WALES W. READ
GLADYS BROWN
MARION LORENZ HARNOIS
School Directors

Comparative Cost of Schools for Five Years

Year Ending

Comparative Cost of Schools for Five Years

Year Ending

July 1, '49	$9011.82
July 1, '48	8478.66
July 1, '47	7206.30
July 1, '46	6410.12
July 1, '45	6360.23

Comparative Budgets

Receipts

	1949-50	1950-51
Taxes @ $2.75 of Grand List	$ 6855 75 @ $2.60	$ 6140 65
State aid	3013 34	4479 46
Leased land	15 97	15 97
Windsor Warren fund	4 34	9 95
Tuition	360 00	165 00
Transportation	25 00	
Total	$10274 50	$10811 03

Expenditures

Teachers' salaries	$ 5200 00	$ 5200 00
Superintendent's salary & expense	546 00	635 00
Directors' salaries & expense	40 00	40 00
Janitors and cleaners	145 00	145 00
Text books	150 00	150 00
Supplies	120 00	120 00
Fuel	225 00	225 00
Lights	65 00	65 00
Repairs	200 00	200 00
Transportation	1830 00	1900 00
Tuition	1800 00	2100 00
Insurance	32 18	32 18
Sundries	10 00	10 00
	$10363 54	$10822 18

Cost of Individual Schools

	City	West	South
	$3102 35	$2884 71	$2233 10
Per pupil cost	155 11	137 37	248 12

In estimating the tax rate to be suggested to the voters for the next school year, it has been necessary for your directors to take into consideration one of the requirements a town must meet to qualify for state aid. We quote from the law as follows:

Chapter 209. No. 104 (Acts of 1949)

"Sec. 41. No town shall receive any state aid pursuant to section 2 of this act unless such town . . . shall raise and spend in each year for current school expenses, an amount which, together with state aid, shall equal at least $130.00 for each pupil in average daily attendance . . . ."

It is important then, if towns wish to qualify for state aid, that sufficient funds be raised to meet the requirements mentioned above.

The amount of state aid received by your town for the past year was $6,415.92.

YOUR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE

Wardsboro is one of the 88 Vermont towns provided with public health nursing service by the State Department of Health.

Wardsboro appropriated $75.00 toward the cost of maintaining this service. Of total funds appropriated for Health Department public health nursing service, local towns contribute 20%, the State of Vermont 41%, Federal grants in aid 39%.

The public health nursing service has as its primary purpose the promotion and maintainance of health and the prevention of illness in the community. In accomplishing this purpose many local persons and private and public agencies have been most helpful.

The following statistical report shows the services which I gave your town as your public health nurse during the period December 1, 1948 through November 30, 1949.

Type of Service

To Mothers: 34 visits to expectant and new mothers.

To Ill Persons: 53 visits giving nursing care to sick persons at home.

To Children under School Age: 163 visits to talk with parents about health needs of their children. 45 children received a professional medical examination.

To School Children: 23 visits to schools. 59 children received professional examinations. 47 visits to homes of school children to follow up health recommendations of examining physician. Decayed teeth and infected tonsils were the outstanding defects. 58 hearing tests were given by means of the puretone audiometer. 3 children needed further hearing tests. 5 children received examination at the diagnostic hearing clinics sponsored by the department of education. Where necessary parents received a report of the ear specialist's recommendations.

Prevention of Communicable Disease: 29 children of all ages were given toxoid against diphtheria and/or tetanus. 6 children of all ages were vaccinated against smallpox.

Corrective Work: Follow-up of the medical recommendations and health inspections reveal 1 child had eye trouble corrected; 2 children had tonsils and adenoids removed and 23 children received some dental care; 1 child had treatment for his ears. All 7th and 8th grade pupils and several adults had chest X-rays at the clinic conducted by the Vermont Tuberculosis Association in Townshend in May.

Respectfully submitted,

DOROTHY DeCELLE, R. N.

Public Health Nurse

REPORT OF WARDSBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT

Receipts

Town appropriation for 1948, received early in 1949	$ 171 20
Town appropriation for 1949	176 49
Donation, cash	85 00
Town meeting dinner, cash	50 80
Women's Auxiliary, cash	29 50
	$ 512 99

Expenditures

Fuel	$ 54 63
Lights	18 08
Battery and parts for truck	21 35
Equipment	193 80
2 registrations	4 00
	$ 291 86

During the last few days of 1949 and the first few of 1950 a Ford truck was purchased for $400.00 and $140.00 was realized from the sale of the Chevrolet. This leaves the Department with a defiict due on the truck as well as a few outstanding bills. This deficit must be cared for and it is hoped that the Department will receive the cooperation of the townspeople in this effort.

STANTON WILLIAMS, Captain

GARNER DEWEY, Secretary-Treasurer

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE

Montpelier, Vermont

In accordance with established custom, we are presenting a summary of State assistance payments during 1949 to individuals applying from Wardsboro.

These payments are financed entirely from State and Federal sources except Aid to Dependent Children in which the town or city participates to the extent of 12½ percent and committed children for whom the municipality reimburses the State for one-half the cost. The cost of all programs reflects to a large degree the economic consequences of the devaluation of the American dollar in terms of purchasing power and its effect on savings and investments.

Approximately 80 percent of all welfare and assistance in Vermont is now paid by the State. Vermont has proportionately fewer individuals receiving aid and smaller average payments than the National average. Over 95 cents out of each public assistance dollar is paid to recipients and less than 5 cents is used for administration. No other State has a better record.

Old age assistance	$3351 20
Aid to the blind	225 00
Aid to dependent children	488 25
Total	$4064 45

W. ARTHUR SIMPSON,

Commissioner

VITAL STATISTICS, TOWN OF WARDSBORO, 1949

BIRTHS

Reported from Greenfield, Mass.:

Jan. 15 Alanson Paul, to Alanson P., 3rd and Kathryn S. Stevens

Reported from Brattleboro, Vt.:

Jan. 17 Roberta Ann, to William C. and Alta F. Cole
Jan. 17 Robert Gale, to William C. and Alta F. Cole
Feb. 23 Yvonne Ann, to Archie R. and Pauline Underwood
Oct. 3 Melinda Frances, to Wilson L. and Margery W. Shippee

In Wardsboro, Vt.:

Mar. 27 Susan Irene, to Leonard G. and Mary E. White
May 31 Gloria Jean, to Leonard M. and Mildred M. Bills
July 7 Christie Mary, to Gerald R. and Goldie M. Styles

Reported from Townshend, Vt.:

Aug. 18 Allen Larry, to Robert A. and Mary Ann B. Jackson
Oct. 6 Barry Lym, to Donald D and Rena M. LaMarche

DEATHS

Mar. 20 Katherine May Boyd Dion. Age 27 years, 4 months, 29 days

May 7 James Henry Goodman. Age 81 years, 3 months, 27 days

June 24 Nora E. (Kendall) Putnam. Age 75 years, 7 months, 17 days

Sept. 10 Caroline Dorothy Lorenz. Age 92 years, 5 months, 21 days

Sept. 28 Horatio Hamlet Young. Age 76 years, 1 month, 26 days

MARRIAGES

In Newfane, Vt.:

July 30 Ralph W. Snow and Eleanor E. Underwood.

In Sunderland, Vt.:

Aug. 14 Burdette B. Bills and Rosalie M. Connolly

In Wardsboro, Vt.:

Nov. 23 George S. Bischoff and Joyce T. Landman

In Townshend, Vt.:

Dec. 21 Donald E. Elliott and Sylvia C. Bills

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